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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of United
4 States Army Sergeant Mark A. Simpson, of Fort Hood, Texas,
5 formerly of Peoria, who was killed in the line of duty while
6 serving his country in Kandahar, Afghanistan, on September 26,
7 2010; and

8 WHEREAS, He was born on February 3, 1970, to George and
9 Carol Simpson in Peoria; he graduated from Richwood High School
10 in Peoria; after working as a security guard, a truck driver,
11 and in food management, he joined the United States Army in
12 2005, and served tours at Fort Drum and Fort Hood before
13 deploying to the Afghanistan war; and

14 WHEREAS, His decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the
15 Purple Heart Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal; and

16 WHEREAS, United States Army Sergeant Mark A. Simpson was
17 deployed with the Fort Hood, Texas-based 584th Mobility
18 Augmentation Company, 20th Engineer Battalion, 36th Engineer
19 Brigade; and

20 WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his son, Mark A.
21 Simpson Jr.; and

1 WHEREAS, United States Army Sergeant Mark Simpson is
2 survived by his wife, Aletha A. Simpson; his three daughters,
3 Shantallia K. Simpson, Krystin M. Simpson, and Jamie S.
4 Simpson; his brother, George F. Simpson; his three sisters,
5 Beth A. Camp, Carol K. Goewey, and Amy K. Lee; and his parents,
6 George and Carol Simpson; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
9 mourn, along with his family, friends, and a grateful nation,
10 the passing of United States Army Sergeant Mark A. Simpson; and
11 be it further

12 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of United States Army
13 Sergeant Mark A. Simpson and his willingness to serve his
14 country, which led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be
15 it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of United States Army Sergeant Mark A.
18 Simpson as a symbol of our sincere sympathy.